

This Week's Calendar of Events

Today	7:30 AM	Informal Worship Team Set-up (Fellowship Hall)
	8:15 AM	Morning Worship (Sanctuary)
	8:30 AM	Informal Worship Team Rehearsal (Fellowship Hall)
	9:15 AM	The Gathering Rehearsal (Room 110)
	9:30 AM	Back to the Bible Adult Bible School Class (Room 210)
	9:30 AM	Informal Worship (Fellowship Hall)
	9:30 AM	Samaritan Adult Sunday School Class (Room 214)
	9:30 AM	Simply Scripture (Library)
	9:30 AM	Youth Sunday School (Room 115)
	10:45 AM	Informal Worship Team Rehearsal (Fellowship Hall)
	11:00 AM	Cross Training "One Room School House" (Rooms 112-114)
	11:00 AM	Seekers in Christ Adult Sunday School Class (Rooms 115, 214)
	11:00 AM	The Gathering (Sanctuary)
	3:00 PM	GS Jr Troop 20090 (Rooms 112-114)
	7:00 PM	Sunday Night Lamplighters (Kline Home)
Monday	10:00 AM	"Stand Up" Staff Meeting (Office)
	6:00 PM	Girl Scout Daisy Troop 11469 (Room 111)
	6:00 PM	Girl Scouts 21125 (Rooms 112-114)
	6:45 PM	Girl Scout Troop 20974 (Room 210)
	7:00 PM	CDA (Chemically Dependent Anonymous) (Room 219)
	7:00 PM	Monday Night Men's Basketball Ministry (Fellowship Hall)
Tuesday	5:30 PM	Pack 198 Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
	6:00 PM	Vision Prayer Team (Office)
	6:30 PM	Arrow of Light (Room 115)
	6:30 PM	Bears (Room 210)
	6:30 PM	Lions (Rooms 112-114)
	6:30 PM	Tigers (Room 111)
	6:30 PM	Webelos (Room 211)
	6:30 PM	Wolves (Room 214)
	7:00 PM	Pastor's Advent Class (Room 212)
Wednesday	6:15 AM	Men's Morning Cup of Jesus (Room 115)
	6:00 PM	4th & 5th Grade Girls Group (Room 214)
	6:30 PM	Men's Evening Cup Bible Study (Room 210)
	6:30 PM	Sisters of Salem (Room 115)
	6:30 PM	Wednesday Night Kids (Rooms 112-114)
Thursday	5:00 PM	Sons and Daughters Youth Choir (Choir Room)
	6:00 PM	Brownie Troop 20861 (Room 111)
	6:00 PM	Girl Scout Troop 20088 (Rooms 113, 114)
	6:30 PM	4th and 5th Grade Guys Group (Fellowship Hall)
	7:00 PM	Women's Book Group (Room 212)
	7:30 PM	Troop 198 Meeting (Room 115)
Friday	6:00 PM	West Shore YWCA Volleyball (Fellowship Hall)
Saturday	No Events Scheduled	
Next Sunday—Christmas Eve	All Day	Family Promise (Rooms 211, 212, 214, 215)
	8:15 AM	Morning Worship (Sanctuary)
	9:30 AM	Back to the Bible Adult Bible School Class (Room 210)
	9:30 AM	Samaritan Adult Sunday School Class (Room 214)
	9:30 AM	Simply Scripture (Library)
	9:30 AM	Youth Sunday School (Room 115)
	10:00 AM	Combined Morning Worship (Sanctuary)
	10:00 AM	Cross Training "One Room School House" (Rooms 112-114)
	11:00 AM	Seekers in Christ Adult Sunday School Class (Rooms 115, 214)
	5:00 PM	Christmas Eve Service (Sanctuary)
	5:00 PM	Christmas Eve Service (Fellowship Hall)
	7:00 PM	Christmas Eve Service (Sanctuary)
	9:00 PM	Christmas Eve Service (Fellowship Hall)
	11:00 PM	Christmas Eve Service (Sanctuary)

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Altar Flowers

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given in honor of Andrew Smith-myer's 8th birthday by Larry and Olive Gibney.

Christmas Eve Services

Morning

8:15am—Traditional Service in Sanctuary

10:00am—Combined Service in Sanctuary

*Important Note:

Cross Training will meet at 10:00am



Evening

5pm—Traditional Worship with our Youth and Children's Choirs (Sanctuary)

5pm—Traditional & Contemporary Blended Service (Fellowship Hall)

7pm—A Traditional Service with a Celtic Flair (Sanctuary)

9pm—Informal Service, come as you are and share the joy (Fellowship Hall)

11pm—Traditional Service with Choir, Organ & Brass Instruments and Holy Communion (Sanctuary)

Childcare is available at 5:00 and 7:00pm

Candle Lighting at all Services

****Please Note—the chapel will NOT be open on Christmas Eve due to Family Promise**

OPPORTUNITIES FOR CHILDREN

Child Care at 9:00am & 11:00am for children up to 36 months in Room 106.

Sunday School for children 4yrs through 5th grade at 9:30, and for children 3yrs old through 3rd grade at 11:00am.

Christmas Eve Offering

This year's Christmas Eve Offering will support Salem's ministry of service to our community and help fund REDCAP. Your gifts will assist nearby families with rent and utilities, helping them avoid homelessness. A single mother of three will better her situation with job training and budgeting classes. Every dollar donated will directly help people like these. Prayerfully consider what special gift you will make this season that will honor Christ and bless our neighbors.

Spread the Word!

In every bulletin, there is an invitation for you to use to invite others to join you for Christmas Eve Services. There are also posters in the back that detail our services that can be posted in the community and at your places of employment!

OUR FAITHFULNESS December 10

Attendance - 348

Tithes & Offerings - \$10,288.00

Connect

Youth This Week-

HS/MS Sunday School 9:45 a.m.—Youth Wing
Youth Group HS/MS — Christmas Party!



More for youth...

- Christmas Party Tonight (6-8pm)
- Zeteo Retreat Feb 2-4, 2018

Community Christmas Caroling

Join us for caroling at Valley Green Townhouses tonight at 4:45pm.



Cookies and drinks to follow. If you

wish to join contact Adrienne at 717-329-2143.

Year End Giving

Fishing Creek Salem always appreciates the financial gifts that are given to support and grow our ministries of sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ! Please note that the IRS has rules for when taxable year donations may be counted: Donations to the church must be **received and/or postmarked** by 12/31/2017. Anything received after 12/31/2017 must be counted as a 2018 donation (regardless of the date associated with the gift).

2018 Flower Charts Are Ready!

Help beautify our worship spaces each Sunday! Sign up to sponsor flowers in honor or in memory of a special day or a special person. The charts are located across from the office windows.

Grow

New Members Class

Ready for a significant spiritual step? A New Members Class helps us explore and establish our discipleship and full participation in the church. Classes begin January 2nd at 7pm and run seven weeks until February 13.

Sign up on the Connection Card.

Join us!

Women in Prayer

A new Bible Study is forming. Women in Prayer will begin Wednesday, January 3rd from 6:30-8pm. The study will examine prayers in the Bible & literature on the discipline of prayer. Each session will end with personal & group prayer. Sign up on the connection card. Adrienne Wagner-Oliva & Nicole Wolf will co-lead the group.

Serve

FAMILY PROMISE

With all of the holiday “busyness,” is Family Promise on your radar? We are hosting December 24-31 and a lot of help is needed to make this ministry run smoothly. Contact Laurie Murry at lmurry@fcsalem.org or sign up on the Connection card or at: www.volunteersignup.org/MB3DQ.



SALEM'S 5th ANNUAL COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS DINNER

Christmas Day, 1:00pm. ALL are welcome! Join us on this blessed day to dine together & celebrate the birth of our Savior! Sign up on the Connection Card or call the Church Office to attend by December 19th. **Help is also needed** to serve the Dinner. Sign up on the connection card to serve on Jesus' Birthday!



CHRISTMAS EVE HOSPITALITY

On Christmas Eve we have a great opportunity to touch the lives of people who attend church only occasionally or not at any other time of year. We also have the privilege of celebrating the coming of Christ with those friends we see often. From the moment folks turn into our driveway it is our prayer that everyone would experience a warm welcome and the feeling that we have been expecting them. You can help to make this happen as you volunteer to be a part of our Christmas Eve Hospitality Team. Please see the Connection Card for all the opportunities for you to serve. Contact Marty Wagner for more info 717-574-1682 or martyj78@ptd.net

BIG NEWS! Salem has been awarded by The Parish and Community Development Committee of the Susquehanna Conference, a one-year **Social Ministries grant** for 2018 for the Motel Ministry. This will allow Salem to expand ministry beyond what is currently being offered (Free Pizza Friday and Soul Food Ministry). We are going where the need is and plan to offer life skills, worship, Bible study, social activities and support to families who reside at the Budget Inn off of the Limekiln Exit of Route 83. Interested in being part of a planning and brainstorming group to help guide this ministry? Contact Laurie Murry at lmurry@fcsalem.org or mark your Connection Card.

Item of the Month: Mission Central helps other organizations with their charity work as well as their own. They provide space for the Bethesda Mission to collect and package food for those in need. This month we are asking for metal nail files for the hygiene kits. Please put the nail files in the bin marked “Mission Central” in Mission Corner

COME SERVE WITH US